MESSAGE TO ARCHICTECTS IN TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO IN 2020—TTIA included.

For the last 56 years of our Independence in Trinidad and Tobago, the state of supply of Architects to demand is too ridiculous for mention. What are the underpinning factors contributing to this condition of decay in a supposedly artistic society?

TTIA can respond or others in love with Architecture as a Service to Mankind as opposed to the love of being seen as an Architect. ***Frank Lloyd Wright, the greatest American Architect of the 20th Century led the way for those in love with and practicing Architecture, to find a Sustainable Methodology for Development, in his published books, lectures and buildings. He was earlier denounced by the American Institute of Architects (AIA), but given their Gold Medal late in his life.***

Service to the Discipline of your love and choice is more valuable that accreditation by mankind. God controls how your work here is valued. What God values and blesses, no man can devalue. TTIA Web site https://ttia-architects.org.

Very useful information Trinidad and Tobago Institute of Architects (TTIA.) How many Registered Architects are there in TT? According to my calculations, there are 65. Using the UIA Golden Ratio for measuring the number of Architects to persons in the population, if my calculations are correct, 1 Registered Architect has a population market of 1,900 persons. If he/she gets one Brief per year, he/she has to live 1,900 years to satisfy this present market. Bearing a mind that an Architect is trained every 5 to 7 years and a child is born every nine months, that market problem will take a long time to resolve. Therefore, respectfully I ask below:-

1. What is the TTIA doing or planning to do about that disaster of supply to demand.
2. What is the TTIA doing or planning to do to get the respect due to the profession/discipline we call Architecture, from policy makers, thereby engaging them in all our policy planning.
3. How are TTIA members going to get involved in Recovery COVID efforts at General and Local Government Levels?
4. Is there a Committee in TTIA which is monitoring Sustainable Development of Architecture in TT, for Registered Architects and other professionals in the Built Environment?
5. When will TTIA demand a Faculty of the Built Environment at any one our Universities here. Architecture is critical for true development of any society and for an Institution formalized by Act of Parliament and present for so many years in beautiful Trinidad and Tobago, your presence has to be fully felt and utilized to the maximum, whenever and wherever it is needed most. donaldberment@gmail.com.

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